

Prior law authorized the Sabine River Authority to enter into contracts which provide for the sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption of water outside the boundaries of the state and requires the written consent of the governor for such contracts.

New law retains prior law but also requires the written concurrence by the Senate Committee on Natural Resources and the House Committee on Natural Resources and Environment for any contracts and other agreements which provide for the sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption, outside of the boundaries of the state, of the waters over which the Sabine River Authority has jurisdiction or control.

New law requires at least two-thirds of the governing authorities of the parishes within the territorial jurisdiction of the authority to concur before the authority can enter into any contracts or other agreements which provide for the sale, utilization, distribution, or consumption, outside of the boundaries of the state, of the waters over which the authority has jurisdiction or control. Further requires the concurrence from each of the parish governing authorities to be by resolution, adopted by a two-thirds vote of the members of each of the parish governing authorities.

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(Amends R.S. 38:2325(A)(16))